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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

CHIAKI NONAKA ET AL.

: EXAMINER: THANG TRAN

SERIAL NO: 09/298,515

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: GROUP ART UNIT: 2651

FOR: RECORDING APPARATUS AND METHOD, AND
REPRODUCING APPARATUS AND METHOD

AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated March 21, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown in the Attachment to this amendment.¹ A clean set of claims is provided below:

A1 1. (Amended) A recording method in which data is written to a disc having formed thereon a pair of concentric or spiral tracks adjacent to each other and to which a common address is given, comprising the steps of:

a) writing a data blocked to a predetermined length to one of the pair of tracks;

¹In the Attachment to this amendment, underlining and bracketing show the changes introduced into the previously-pending claims to arrive at the clean claims.

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